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BEREAN NEWS

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH
33 Lincoln Avenue, Carbondale, Penna. 18407

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AUGUST 1985

PASTOR TO PEOPLE

Vacation Time: life in Carbondale seems to take on a different pace. Churches close their doors, many families summer at nearby lakes, others take week end trips. Wherever you go, whatever you do, God grant you safety and peace. Use the time profitably and in a worthwhile manner as a steward of the time God gives you.

Esther and I will be in and out of town during our vacation time. We will spend some time with friends in Rochester, NY, Parry Sound, Ontario, Cape Cod, MA, and maybe some time camping with our grandchildren.

Sermon preparation, personal reading and relaxation are on our agenda. Toward the end of summer, I will be leading a laboratory school at the American Baptist Assembly at Green Lake, WI.

While we're gone, work will progress on our real estate, in an attempt to bring it up to snuff.

Do yourself a couple of favors this summer during the Union Church Services: attend them, and pray for Berean. Also attend the community thank you at the Pioneer Inn on Gordon Avenue for Charlie and Elaine Starzer.

God bless, love and keep you.

Sincerely,

Claude A. Pullis

REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS PLANNED

At its May meeting, the Administrative Board awarded UpValley Builders the contract for the repairs and renovations to the Parsonage and the Church facility. The work will take place during July and August while the Pastor is on vacation.

Work scheduled to be completed on the parsonage includes a new roof, new gutters and down spouts, vinyl clad aluminum siding and remodeling of the side porch. The work on the Church facility includes repairs to the flat roof, repairs to the gutters and painting all previously painted exterior surfaces. The sanctuary and overflow room will be painted as well.

Additional work which will be accomplished includes new front stairs on Lincoln Avenue, new sign board, storage cupboards in basement.

We look forward to the completion of these improvements.

DAVID AND CHRISTIE MENEELY

The Meneelys will return to Zaire in August to take up their ministry of teaching and serving in the mission field. We wish them well and pray for them, their family and their mission.

ARTHUR AND ELOISE MENEELY

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Meneely retired from their ministry in Sunbury, OH. They have purchased a home and plan to remain in Sunbury. Their new address is: 1001 South Old 3c Highway, Sunbury, OH 43074.

CARBONDALE THANK YOU FOR STARZERS

Rev. Charles F. J. Starzer and Elaine retired from the First Presbyterian Church after 20 years of ministry in Carbondale. They have purchased a home in Waymart. A dinner has been planned in their honor by citizens of Carbondale, to be held on July 20, at 6:30 P.M. at the Pioneer Inn on Gordon Avenue.

Ticket donations are \$10, available from Pastors, Red Cross, AAA, &c. A special day will be declared in his honor.

CHURCH SCHOOL TO BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

Mrs. Seigle, Church School Superintendent, has announced that the classes will begin again on Sunday, September 8, 1985. Mark your calendar.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

The special offering called One Great Hour of Sharing, designated for world relief, was received during June. The bulk of the offering will be used for hunger relief, some will assist victims of our western Pennsylvania tornados of early June. The offering totalled: \$448.13.

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VACATION OFFERINGS

Keep your offering up this summer. Our bills, overhead, and salaries continue, as does our mission giving commitment. Use your envelopes and place them in the offering plates at the Union Services or mail them to the Church office.

ORGAN FUND STATISTICS

Our giving to the Organ Fund has been very generous. At this point we are hoping to pay off our note in less than three years. Many of us have completed our pledges and have continued our giving. Funds are coming in in the form of memorials and from group projects. We have paid off approximately \$4,500 of our loan on the organ since April. Keep up the good support.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD GOALS

At the Annual Meeting in January, the Church adopted a number of goals.

The Committee on Education and Missions is working on increasing church school attendance and developing a library.

The Spiritual Life Committee is working on goals related to presentations to shut ins and non-participating members, and increasing the use of the media to assist our ministry.

The General Business Committee is working on the new outside bulletin board, church repairs and renovations, and handling the organ fund.

Nice going folks!

ANNUAL PICNIC A SUCCESS

The Annual Church Picnic was a great success. Over 65 Bereans came out and shared a glorious day in the fresh, warm and bright outdoors at Merl-Sarnoski Park. The food was the finest and the adults and kids enjoyed a water balloon toss, kick balls and kite flying.

BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY

7 William Williams
Lynwood Ward
8 Edith A. Gardner
Harold Pierson
10 Carlton Sellick
11 John Seigle
20 Esther Altemeier
21 Evelyn Perri
26 Peggy Clarke
29 Robert Gosnell
30 Claude Andrews
Parry Haley
31 Beatrice Aston

BIRTHDAYS FOR AUGUST

1 Esther Simpson
Bonnie Robinson
9 Carl Carpenter
Fred Walker
12 Garfield Thomas
13 Lavinia Spencer
16 Nicole Fisher
Jimmy McMyne
Jack Kiefer

18 Alan Gillow
Wendy Williams
21 Doug Fisher
Timothy McMyne
23 Darlene Kacer
Cindy Mosher
24 Marguerite Doud
Margaret Carey
Betty Carpenter
Curtis Haley
26 Gertrude Cramer
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PLEASE NOTE: We apologize for any omissions or incorrect information in this list of birthdays. Please advise us. Corrections will be made.

SUMMER CHURCH SCHEDULE

10:00 A.M.

Presbyterian Church: July 7, 14, 21, with Reverend Charles F. J. Starzer, preaching;

Methodist Church: July 28, August 4, 11, with Reverend Arthur Davis, preaching;

Baptist Church: August 18, 25, September 1, with Reverend Claude A. Pullis, preaching.

THE HAPPENING

On Sunday morning, June 30, "THE HAPPENING" presented BACK AT THE CREEK BANK as part of the morning worship service.

The cast of THE HAPPENING is as follows:

Becky Wentland
Lisa McLaughlin
Wendy Williams
Denise Williams
Mary Tyler
Penny Wagner
Laura Sweet
JoAnne Marion
Troy Smith
John Smith
Vicki Barcola
Amy Schermerhorn
Karen Griffin
Charlotte Wentland
Brian Watson
Tommy Watson
Edie Seigle
Donnie Seigle
Marale Seigle
Mike Van Leven

Directors: Gloria Seigle, Sue Smith
Props: Jill Schermerhorn, Laura Schermerhorn, and Ann Tyler.

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